

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:  
a base and a top;  
a plurality of receptacles between the base and the top, each of the plurality of receptacles configured to house a microscope, where the receptacles are arranged side by side one another forming one or more rows;  
a plurality of docking stations, where each of the plurality of docking stations is configured to receive a battery-powered microscope and to recharge the battery of the battery-powered microscope and is positioned within one of the plurality of receptacles;  
an electrical cord electrically connected to the plurality of ~~charging devices~~docking stations, the electrical cord including a plug configured to mate with an electrical outlet to supply electrical power to the plurality of ~~charging devices~~docking stations; and  
one or more wheels.
2. Cancelled.
3. Cancelled.
4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the base and the top are substantially rectangular in shape, the apparatus further comprising:  
at least two sidewalls substantially perpendicular to the base and the top.
5. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 14, further comprising:  
a plurality of electrical receptacles, where each [[an]] electrical receptacle is configured

to receive a plug attached to an electrical cord of a device for supplying electrical power to the device.

6. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising:

a cord retractor configured to retract and house the electrical cord, where the electrical cord is connected to the cord retractor and can be retracted into and at least partially housed within the cord retractor.

7. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising:

one or more indicators configured to indicate a charging status of a battery-powered microscope being recharged by a docking station.

8. (Original) The apparatus of claim 7, wherein each of the one or more indicators comprise a light emitting diode.

9. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of docking stations is further configured to:

determine whether a rechargeable battery is substantially fully charged; and  
charge the rechargeable battery to substantially full capacity based on the determination.

10. Cancelled.

11. Cancelled.

12. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of receptacles comprises an opening and at least four sidewalls defining an interior region for housing a microscope, the interior region accessible from the opening.

13. (Original) The apparatus of claim 12, further comprising:

a movable sidewall that is substantially perpendicular to the base and the top, the movable sidewall movable between a first position wherein the openings of the plurality of receptacles are exposed and the corresponding interior regions are accessible and a second position wherein the openings of the plurality of receptacles are covered by the movable sidewall

and the corresponding interior regions are inaccessible.

14. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a base and a top;

a plurality of receptacles between the base and the top, each of the plurality of receptacles configured to house a microscope and arranged side by side one another forming one or more rows, wherein each row of receptacles is formed in a drawer positioned between the base and the top and slidable in a plane substantially parallel to the base and the top, wherein the drawer is slidable between an open position wherein the openings of the plurality of receptacles are exposed and the corresponding interior regions are accessible and a closed position wherein the openings of the plurality of receptacles are not exposed and the corresponding interior regions are inaccessible;

a plurality of ~~charging devices~~docking stations, where each of the plurality of ~~charging devices~~docking stations is configured to recharge a battery of a battery-powered microscope and where each of the plurality of docking stations~~charging devices~~ is positioned within one of the plurality of receptacles;

an electrical cord electrically connected to the plurality of docking stations~~charging devices~~, the electrical cord including a plug configured to mate with an electrical outlet to supply electrical power to the plurality of docking stations~~charging devices~~; and  
one or more wheels.

15. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a base and a top;

a plurality of receptacles between the base and the top and arranged side by side one another forming one or more rows, each of the plurality of receptacles configured to house a microscope, wherein each row of receptacles is formed in a drawer positioned between the base and the top, the drawer configured to pivot between an open position wherein openings of the plurality of receptacles are exposed and the corresponding interior regions are accessible and a closed position wherein the openings of the plurality of receptacles are not exposed and the corresponding interior regions are inaccessible;

a plurality of ~~charging devices~~docking stations, where each of the plurality of ~~charging devices~~docking stations is configured to recharge a battery of a battery-powered microscope and where each of the plurality of ~~charging devices~~docking stations is positioned within one of the plurality of receptacles;

an electrical cord electrically connected to the plurality of ~~docking stations~~charging devices, the electrical cord including a plug configured to mate with an electrical outlet to supply electrical power to the plurality of ~~docking stations~~charging devices; and

one or more wheels.

16. Cancelled.

17. Cancelled.

Claims 18-20. Cancelled.